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This volume consists of both a study and translation of Zhang's works. The translation included in the volume makes some of Zhang's works available in English for the first time. The article in the volume is the most comprehensive discussion of Zhang Dongsun's philosophy in English up to today. Readers of the volume will find it valuable not only for study of Zhang's thought in particular but also for understanding of contemporary Chinese philosophy in general.

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